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Summary of transactions of service, etc., during July, 1899.

Total number of deaths reported during July, 1899	173
Total number of deaths reported during July, 1898	178
Total number of births reported during July, 1899.....	66
Total number of births reported during July, 1898.....	17
Total number of vessels inspected during July, 1899.....	26
Total number of bills of health issued during July, 1899.....	30
Number of vessels in quarantine during July, 1899.....	2
Number of passengers whose baggage was disinfected during July, 1899.....	25
Number of vessels inspected during July, 1898.....	13
Number of vessels which sailed during July, 1898.....	12
Number of immigrants inspected during July, 1899.....	96
Rejections.....	0

The figures given above for 1898 are from the official records, but they are, I am afraid, far from being accurate, which is not strange when we consider that the war was in progress at that time and that this island was invaded by the Americans during July.

*Weekly report from Ponce.*PONCE, PORTO RICO, *August 7, 1899.*

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith the quarantine and abstract of bills of health reports for the week ended August 5. During the week nothing of interest has occurred among the shipping, and the general health of Ponce continues as before.

Respectfully, yours,

C. H. LAVINDER,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

*Immigrants inspected at Ponce, Porto Rico, during July, 1899.*PONCE, PORTO RICO, *July 31, 1899.*

SIR: I have the honor to give below the number of immigrants inspected by this office during the month of July, with rejections:

July 4, steamship Salvador, Fort de France and St. Thomas	6
July 5, steamship Philadelphia, Curaçao and La Guayra.....	58
July 11, steamship Telesfora, Spain	2
July 12, steamship Matteo Bruzzo, La Guayra.....	2
July 17, steamship Salvador, Fort de France and St. Domingo.....	4
July 21, steamship Maria Herrera, Cuba and St. Domingo.....	7
July 25, steamship Caracas, Porto Cabello, Curaçao, La Guayra	11
July 29, steamship Esk, Barbados and Antigua	5
July 30, steamship Catalina, Barcelona.....	1
Total.....	96

There were no rejections during the month.

Respectfully, yours,

C. H. LAVINDER,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

*Monthly report from San Juan.*SAN JUAN, PORTO RICO, *August 4, 1899.*

SIR: I have the honor to submit the following report for the month of July, 1899:

Number of births reported.....	58
Number of births reported, 1898 (comparative).....	46
Number of deaths reported.. ..	60
Number of deaths reported, 1898 (comparative).....	54
A list of the causes of deaths inclosed.	
Number of vessels inspected during the month.....	44
Number of vessels inspected during July, 1898 (comparative).....	2